



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, vehicle fuels such as gasoline and diesel fuel energy are vital to Idaho's economy;
and

WHEREAS, about 1 billion gallons of gasoline and diesel fuel are used annually in Idaho vehicles; and

WHEREAS, pollutants from vehicle exhaust can contribute significantly to air quality concerns in the Treasure Valley and other areas of Idaho; and

WHEREAS, using alternative fuels, such as ethanol, biodiesel, hydrogen, and compressed natural gas, can help to reduce emissions; and

WHEREAS, a variety of vehicles in the Treasure Valley and Magic Valley areas of Idaho have now used more than 350,000 gallons of clean burning B20 biodiesel fuel and more than 40 stations around Idaho offer ethanol blended fuel; and

WHEREAS, ethanol and biodiesel can be produced from Idaho agricultural crops or from waste products such as used cooking oils and animal fats offering economic development opportunities in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, compressed natural gas is a clean, domestic fuel resource, and has been used successfully for years to power Idaho's largest urban transit fleet, and a major utility vehicle fleet; and

WHEREAS, solar and wind energy are becoming more viable as alternatives for consideration by Idaho and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Idaho citizens have expressed interest in both using and learning more about alternative fuels and their effect on air quality, economic development and energy independence; and

WHEREAS, an Alternative Fuels Festival will be held at the Discovery Center of Idaho the weekend of August 6, 7 and 8, 2004, designed to highlight the use and production of hydrogen, biodiesel and other alternative energy sources with an emphasis on continuing Idaho's pristine quality of life; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim August 6 through 8, 2004, to be

ALTERNATIVE ENERGY AWARENESS DAYS

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-second day of July in the year of our Lord two-thousand and four and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-ninth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fifteenth.

A handwritten signature of Dirk Kempthorne in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Ben Ysursa in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

BEN YSURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE